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In re Application of : Barkan Elad ET AL
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Examiner : Venkatanarayanan Perungavoor
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Dear Mr. Perungavoor:

In response to the Notice of Non Compliant mailed October 12, 2005, please amend our response from September 25, 2005 in the Claims listing as follows:

Claims:

1. **(Currently Amended)** A secure method for generating digital documents that are certified by a known authority, comprising the steps of:

A. Programming an electronic device with a document issuing method that originates with the known authority, wherein the device further includes means for protecting the programmed method from tampering with;

B. programming the electronic device with data identifying the owner of the device, and wherein the device includes means to prevent subsequent alterations of the owner identification data;

C. reading a digital document into the device;

D. physical identification of the owner of the device, based on the identifying data as programmed in step (B);

E. ~~if the result of the identification process in step (D) is positive, this indicating that the true owner requested the document, then issuing of a digital document signed by the known authority, wherein the document is prepared according to the document issuing method that was programmed into the device in step A.~~ **Issuing of a digital document signed by the known authority, wherein the document is prepared**